

August
22-23
2026

St. Joseph



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22 – St. Joseph Parishioners
Sunday, August 23 – Farol Stroyan+
Tuesday, August 25 – Bill Ryan (Bday)
Wednesday, August 26 – Sue Kerschen+
Thursday, August 27 – Kay and Red Blanchette+
Friday, August 28 – Jack McGerty+

Welcome!

MISSION STATEMENT

*"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples.
Preach the gospel to all people."*

MASS TIMES

Tuesday, Wed., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM

ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

BAPTISM

Parents seeking Baptism for their child should contact the Pastor. It is expected that you are a registered parishioner taking part in the liturgical life of the Church - which includes attendance at Mass.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Registration forms are in the lobby, or online:

stjosephcolbert.org/registration

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This Sunday's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 22:19-23
Responsorial Psalm 138:1-3,6,8
Second Reading Romans 11:33-36
Gospel Reading Matthew 16:13-20

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God. Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

--Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

Protecting Our Children

The diocese is committed to helping victims and survivors of child abuse, protecting children and vulnerable adults. Contact: Diocese of Spokane Victims Assistance Coordinator at (509) 353-0442.

www.dioceseofspokane.org/protect



Parish Calendar

Tuesday, August 25

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Wednesday, August 26

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Quilting Group 9:00 AM

Thursday, August 27

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

KOC Officers & Directors Meeting 7:00 PM

Friday, August 28

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Share the Word 9:00 AM

Saturday, August 29

Women's Health & Fitness 8:30 AM

Picnic Table Painting Project 9:00 AM

Sacristans/Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers/Coffee & Donut Hosts

Saturday, August 29

Sacristans - Patrick and Rebecca

Lector - Tony M.

Eucharistic Ministers - Ellen and Mary M.

Sunday, August 30

Sacristans - Dave and Cathy

Lector - Mike K.

Eucharistic Ministers - Anita, Bob, Lehsley

Coffee and Donut Hosts

Sunday, August 30 - Brigitta and Sharon

Path to the Pantry

July was a busy month, especially in our garden, where we harvested and distributed an impressive 555 pounds of produce to our clients.

The SNAP Energy Conservation team distributed bags filled with energy-saving items and assisted with appointments and program information.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to St. Joseph's Parish for their generous donation of food and monetary support. Their kindness and commitment significantly help us continue serving those in need, and we deeply appreciate their partnership in our mission.

Together, we make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve. As we move forward, we remain committed to our mission and look forward to growing stronger with your partnership and kindness. Thank you for being an essential part of our Pantry family.

--Lora Benzinger, Director
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